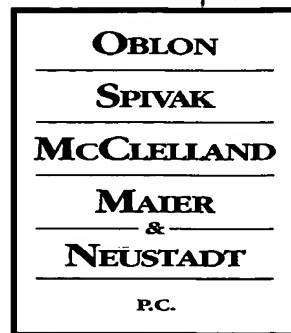




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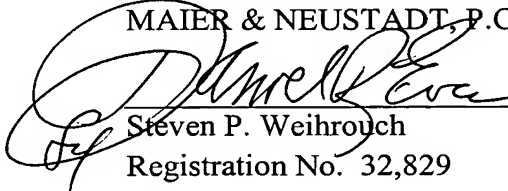
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Responsive to the Office Communication dated July 25, 2005, Applicants elect, with  
traverse, Species II, Claims 5-8.

REMARKS

The Office has required restriction in the present application as follows:

Species I (appears to read on Claims 1-4) directed to Figures 1A-1F and

Species II (appears to read on Claims 5-8) directed to Figures 2A-2E.

Applicants elect, with traverse, Species II. Claims 5-8 read on the elected species.

Restriction is proper only if the inventions of the restricted groups are either  
independent or patentably distinct, and there is a burden in searching the entire application.  
MPEP §803.